

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 9 Highway Designations- Brevard & Osceola
SPONSOR(S): Needelman
TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** SB 1398, SB 534

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1) Transportation		Hammel	Miller
2) Transportation & Econ. Dev. Apps. (Sub)			
3) Appropriations			
4) _____			
5) _____			

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

Section 334.071, F.S., specifies the purpose and effect of the designation of roads, bridges, and other transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes by the Florida Legislature.

HB 9 designates a portion of U.S. Highway 192 from Interstate 95 in Brevard County to St. Cloud in Osceola County as Howard E. Futch Memorial Highway.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is directed to erect suitable markers to denote the honorary designation. The markers will cost approximately \$800.00.

HB 9 does not create any constitutional issues. It takes effect upon becoming law.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. DOES THE BILL:

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| 1. Reduce government? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[X] |
| 2. Lower taxes? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[X] |
| 3. Expand individual freedom? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[X] |
| 4. Increase personal responsibility? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[X] |
| 5. Empower families? | Yes[] | No[] | N/A[X] |

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Section 334.071, F.S., provides for legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not "officially" change the current names of the facilities, nor does it require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings. The statute requires FDOT to place a marker at each terminus or intersection of an identified road or bridge, and to erect other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility. The statute also provides that a city or county must pass a resolution in support of a particular designation before road markers are erected. Additionally, if the designated road segment extends through multiple cities or counties then a resolution must be passed by each affected local government.

Based on FDOT records, 999 honorary road and bridge designations have been approved since 1922, most of them by the Legislature. Some public roads and bridges have multiple or overlapping designations.

HB 9 designates U.S. Highway 192 from Interstate 95 in Brevard County to St. Cloud in Osceola County as Howard E. Futch Memorial Highway.

Senator Howard E. Futch died Thursday, January 23, 2003. He was elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 1992 and served through 2000. He was elected to the Florida Senate on August 21, 2001 and subsequently reelected in 2002.

This bill directs FDOT to erect suitable markers for this designation.

HB 9 takes effect upon becoming law

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Creates honorary road designation for Senator Howard E. Futch in Brevard and Osceola Counties. Directs the FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the highway.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues: None

2. Expenditures: Expenditures: FDOT estimates that the cost to erect suitable road designating markers is approximately \$800.00. The expenditure is from the State Transportation Trust Fund. FDOT is responsible for any future maintenance and replacement cost.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues: None
2. Expenditures: None

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR: None

D. FISCAL COMMENTS: None

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision: Not Applicable
2. Other: None

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

FDOT has sufficient rule-making authority to implement HB 9

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES